

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

ALWANNA KNIGHT,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	No. 12 C 11
	)	USCA No. 12-1132
AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

MEMORANDUM<sup>1</sup>

Among the bizarre steps taken by pro se plaintiff Alwanna Knight ("Knight") in this action, the most recent is her filing of an appeal even though this Court had not issued any dispositive order in the case. On January 5, 2012 this Court issued a memorandum order that explained why Knight was not entitled to in forma pauperis treatment, not in financial terms but because of her failure to assert a nonfrivolous claim in the legal sense. Then on January 17 Knight filed a notice of appeal that added this Court to the coterie of judges and others who are assertedly conspiring against her, and on January 25 she tendered to the Court of Appeals her motion seeking leave to appeal in forma pauperis, whereupon that court ordered the motion to be transferred to this District Court for ruling. On February 1 this Court responded by issuing another memorandum order II")

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<sup>1</sup> This memorandum repeats, often verbatim, some of the things stated in the two earlier orders to which it refers. That has been done simply to make clear the background that gives rise to this memorandum.

that denied Knight's in forma pauperis motion and concluded by "reminding her (as the Court of Appeals' order did) that to place the same motion before that court she must refile her motion there (see Fed. R. App. P. 24)."

All of this has placed this action in limbo because it would appear that Knight's attempted appeal has ousted this Court of jurisdiction. And whatever result may obtain in the Court of Appeals in connection with any retendering of her in forma pauperis effort there, the merits of Knight's substantive claims (or more accurately, what appears to be their lack of merit) will not have been resolved at that point. Accordingly this Court respectfully requests that it be notified forthwith as and when the Court of Appeals takes action on Knight's appeal.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Milton I. Shadur". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Milton" and last name "Shadur" clearly legible.

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Milton I. Shadur  
Senior United States District Judge

Date: March 5, 2012